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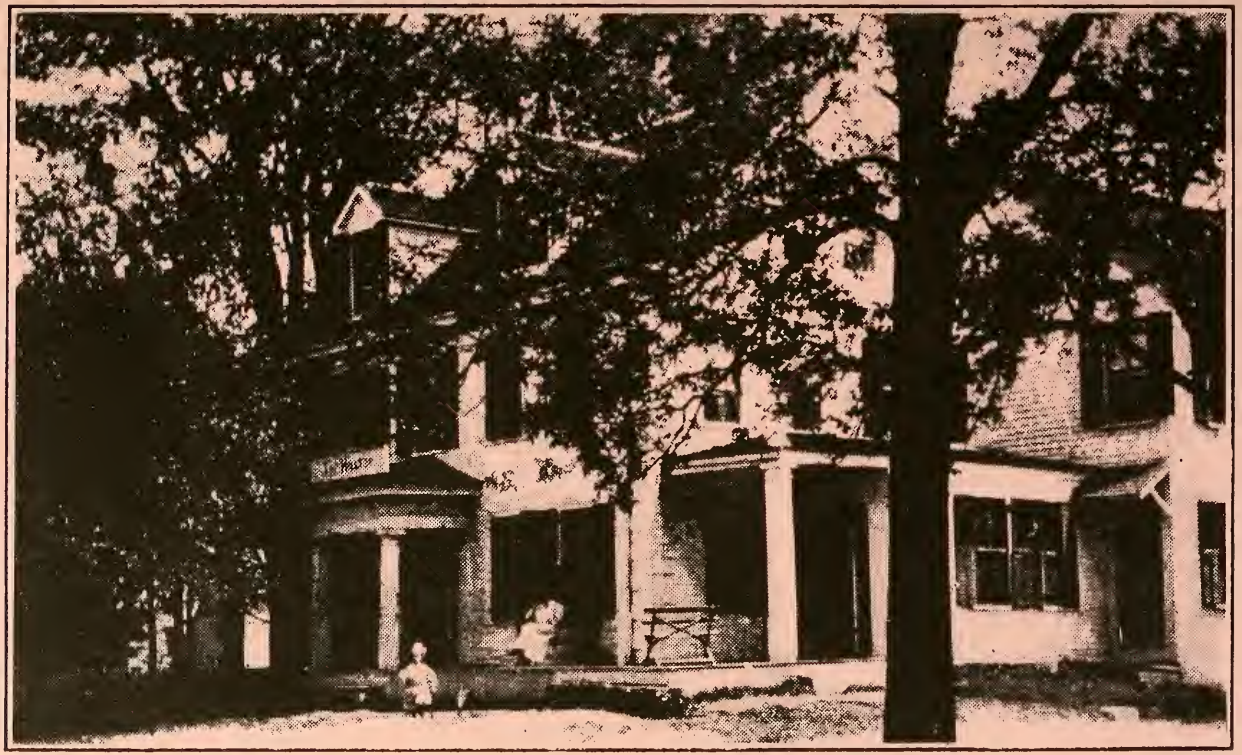

THE HILLTOP

South Hampton, New Hampshire

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The Hilltop is situated on the top of South Hampton hill. The surrounding country is largely covered with pine woods and affords many pleasant walks and drives. At the foot of the hill is the Powow river flowing into Lake Gardner. From South Hampton hill can be seen the Hill of Ramoth, Chair hill and Po hill whose beauty proved an inspiration to the poet Whittier. The pleasures of boating and fishing and the cool and health giving breezes of the Hilltop combine to make an ideal location. Boats are kept on the river for the free use of guests and the usual country outdoor amusements are provided.

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Our aim is to provide those who enjoy rural life and pastimes with a comfortable country home, and, from our experience of a number of years, we think our guests will not be disappointed.

Terms $1 per day. Rates for particular long periods of time on application to

F. F. PERRY.

Te ne, Amesbury Central 9043.

This was the Smith Whitcomb Place at the East end of Barnard Square Bought by Frank F. Perry for a hotel in 1901. This was the only hotel ever in South Hampton. It burned in the fire of May 3, 1912.

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of the

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
HIGHWAY AGENT, TOWN CLERK,
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
ALL OTHER TOWN OFFICERS AND THE
SCHOOL BOARD

of the

Town Of
SOUTH HAMPTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31

1976

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1976
Elected Biennially

MODERATOR
Horace Cressy

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST
Judith Shivik '82 Carlene Kozacka '80 Bernard Stebbins '78

TOWN CLERK
Ann Stefanski '78

SELECTMEN
Ernest Bonah '79 Jewell E. Currier '78 Charles Ducharme '77

TREASURER
Donald Hellen

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles Harlow '79

AUDITORS
Robert Fraser Philip Imbrescia Sr.

HIGHWAY AGENT
John Santosuosso

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUND
Albert Gray '77 Vincent Early '78

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Carolyn Merrill '78 Walter Ross '77

CEMETERY TRUSTEES
Albert Gray Vincent Early

POLICE
John Santosuosso, Chief *Lawrence Zagranis
*Resigned

CONSTABLE
Michael Santosuosso

APPOINTED

****

FENCE VIEWERS

Robert Wood — Albert Gray

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Robert Wood — Albert Gray

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Charles Ducharme

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

June Stewart

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Robert Fraser '79 William E. Amsler, Jr., '78 James Miller '77

STATE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward Hess

DEPUTY WARDENS

Albert Gray — Charles Dennett — Norman Felch
Everett Spooner Sr. — John Gamble

FIRE CHIEF

Edward Hess

HEALTH OFFICER

Francis Smith

HEALTH AND SANITIATION INSPECTOR

Francis Smith

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Lloyd Currier

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Paul Stefanski

MOSQUITO CONTROL

Roy Syvertson — Mildred Spencer

LIBRARIAN

Carol McCarthy

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Audrey Miller '81 Francis Perrault '80 Michael Santosuosso '79
Stratos Janos '78 Vitold Wallace '77

PLANNING BOARD

Wallace Verge, Chrm. '80 William Brunet '79
Mary Mertinooke '78 William E. Amsler '77

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JoAnn Hills '79 Mary Mertinooke '77, Sec. & Treas.
Ellen M. Cressy '78 Robert Wood '77
Charles Spear '78, Chrm. Carolyn Merrill '79 Ann Verge '77

RECREATION COMMISSION

Paul Stefanski Carol Baker

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Effie Berry '79 Nancy Rice Morss '78 Sarah Embree '77

DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

Lawrence C. Hoyt, Chrm. Calvin E. Eaton Sr.
Bruce Eaton Robert Nelson, Sec.
Howard Merrill

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hampton in the county of Rockingham in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the 8th of March Next, at One O'clock in the afternoon to act on Article 1.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Said Town on Wednesday the 9th of March next, at Seven Thirty P.M. to act upon Article 2 and subsequent articles.

1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $193.21 for the improvements of Class V Roads.

4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administrator, sell or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by tax collector's deed; any sale to be either by private sale to the previous owner, or public auction with selectmen retaining the right to reject any or all bids.

5. To see if the town will authorize selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

6. To see if the town will withdraw all monies from the Capps Bridge Capital Reserve Fund and transfer to General Funds.

7. To see whether the town will vote to join the Strafford Rockingham Regional Council and authorize the town's Representation to the Southeastern New Hampshire Regional Planning and appropriate the sum of $396.00 for this purpose.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three hundred Dollars [$300.00] for the support of the

Seacoast Regional Counseling Center.

9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars [$300.00] for recreational purpose.

10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $3,500.00 for the Police Dept.

11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $300.00 for the sealing of the All-purpose Court.

12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,200.00 for the fencing of the All-purpose Court.

13. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to Match Federal Grant of $1,000.00 to better our communications. Also for plectron radios equipped with tone alerts by petition of Edward J. Hess Jr. and 9 others.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,500.00 for the purpose of the acquisition and purchase of a Class A, 1,000 gallon per minute, Pumper Fire Truck and related equipment, such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds or Notes of the Town not exceeding the sum of $12,500.00, under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act [Chapter 33 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and any amendments thereto] and any other enabling authority, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and sell such Bonds or Notes and determine the rate of interest to be paid thereon as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such Bonds or Notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of South Hampton, N.H.
[In accordance with RSA 33:8, it is required that in order to pass the above Article, it must be by a vote of two-thirds of all the voters present and voting at the Annual Meeting.]

15. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $500.00 for maintenance of Water Holes. This will also be used for installation of a dry hydrant.

16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Disposal Committee to negotiate, and sign a contract for refuse disposal.

17. To see if the town will authorize the Bicentennial Commission to fence in three sides of the Common with cement posts and chains. This would be without cost to the town.

18. UNDER RSA 55;9-c to see if the town will vote to allow the TOWN CLERK to receive applications for registration of voters. [To adopt the provisions of RSA 55:9-a and RSA 55:9-b]

19. To see if the Town of South Hampton will vote to uphold the right of city and town home rule in New Hampshire by petition of Carolyn M. Merrill and 9 others.

20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate 1919.90 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the Tax Map from the Revenue Sharing Fund Established under the provisions of the state and local Assistance Act of 1972 with the balance to be raised by taxation.

21. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

JEWELL E. CURRIER
CHARLES E. DUCHARME
ERNEST J. BONAH JR
Selectmen of South Hampton

A true Copy of Warrant -- Attest:

JEWELL C. CURRIER
CHARLES E. DUCHARME
ERNEST J. BONAH JR.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON N.H.

SECTION 1

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION

	Approp. Previous Fiscal year	Recommended 1977 [1977-78]	Submitted without Recom.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers Salaries	4,050.00	4,500.00	
Town Officers Expenses	3,000.00	3,500.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	300.00	100.00	
Town Hall Improvements	1,000.00	150.00	1,350.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	3,500.00	3,650.00	850.00
Contingency Fund Miscellaneous	200.00	200.00	50.00
Dog Damage	100.00	100.00	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROP.			
Police Department	3,250.00	3,500.00	
Fire Department	3,500.00	3,660.00	
Ball Park and Common	100.00	100.00	
Insurance	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Planning & Zoning	100.00	100.00	
Damages & Legal Expense	500.00	1,200.00	
Civil Defense	100.00	100.00	
HEALTH DEPT. [ambulance]	75.00	75.00	
Vital Statistics	150.00	50.00	100.00
Seacoast Counseling Service	300.00	300.00	
Town Dump	3,500.00	6,250.00	
HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:			
Town Maintenance-Summer & Winter [7,000.00 & 8,500.00]	14,000.00	15,500.00	4,500.00
Water Holes	500.00	500.00	
Highway Department Subsidy [a]	3,785.34	3,767.50	
Town Road Aid	194,20	193.21	
LIBRARIES;	2,292.00	2,247.00	
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	300.00	500.00	
Old Age Assistance	200.00	200.00	
Historical D/Comm.	50.00	50.00	
RECREATION COMMISSION	300.00	300.00	
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Conservation Comm.	200.00	200.00	
Cemeteries	600.00	600.00	
Regional Associations, Southeast	391.20	396.00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

Special Articles Fire Dept. [Bonds or Notes and Interest .			
Pumper 12500 plus int. 5 yrs. [b]		3,031.25	
Fire Dept. Equipment [matching fund reg.	500.00	1,000.00	
Recreation Commission Sealing Tennis Court		300.00	
Recreation Commission Fence Tennis Crt.			1,200.00
Capp's Bridge	200.00		
Tax Map	1,000.00	919.90	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	49,737.74	58,739.86	8,050.00

Notes: [a] Allocated to Capp's Bridge Reconstruction.
[b] Includes 1st year payments of principle and interest.

SECTION II

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated revenue previous Fiscal year	Actual revenue previous Fiscal year	Estimated revenue Fiscal year 1977 [1977-78]
FROM STATE:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	5,000.00	6,048.24	6,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	200.00	297.12	250.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	4,800.00	4,395.43	4,500.00
Highway Subsidy [Cl. IV & V]	3,785.34	3,785.34	3,767.50
Reimbursement Forest Conservation Aid	30.00	30.38	30.00
Reim. A/C Business profits Tax Town Portion]	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,785.00
FROM LOCAL SOURCES:			
Dog Licenses	400.00	385.00	400.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	300.00	306.92	300.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	17,500.00	21,027.76	17,500.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	750.00	945.76	800.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds - Capp's Bridge		3,168.41	
Resident Taxes Retained	3,500.00	4,300.00	4,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	200.00	367.34	200.00
Rent of Town Property	100.00	40.00	50.00
Income from Departments Insurance rebates		301.77	
Reimb. Rockingham Co. Selectman Assn.		12.00	
Reimb. for Ambulance		207.92	75.00
Title Iv Rural Fire Protection		500.00	
FROM FEDERAL SOURCES:			
Revenue Sharing	2,457.05	3,000.00	2,400.00
*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	40,722.39	50,819.39	42,057.50
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES [Exclusive of County and School Taxes]			16,682.36
TOTAL REVENUES			58,739.86

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except property taxes" deducted from total 'appropriations recommended by budget committee" gives estimated "amount to be raised by property taxes," exclusive of county and school taxes.

JAMES P. MILLER
WILLIAM E. AMSLER JR.
ROBERT B. FRASER
ERNEST J. BONAH JR.
BERNARD J. STEBBINS
Budget Committee

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1976; June 30, 1977

[Give value on basis of cost. If no records have been kept, make careful inventory and appraisal of all property belonging to the Town.]

Description	Value
1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	46,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,700.00
2. Libraries, Lands and Buildings	
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
3. Police Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	1,500.00
Parking Meters	
4. Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	5,000.00
Materials and Supplies	
5. Highway Dept.	200.00
6. Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	5,300.00
7. Water Supply Facilities, If owned by Town	
8. Electric Light Plant, If owned by Town	
9. Sewer Plant & Facilities, If owned by Town	
10. Schools, Lands and Buildings	38,000.00
Equipment	
11. Airports, if owned by Town	
12. All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds [Give Assessed valuation of property so taken listing each piece separately]	
Farmer Land	25.00
Blaisdell land	25.00
13. All other property and equipment: [Give description]	
TOTAL	102,750.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

	Approp.	Receipts	Total amt. Available	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:						
Town Officers Salaries	4,050.00		4,050.00	4,365.48		315.48
Town Officers Expenses	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,176.34		176.34
Election & Registration	300.00		300.00	249.00	51.00	
Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,627.62		178.62
Contingency Fund [Misc.]	200.00		200.00	205.30		5.30
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROP:						
Police	3,250.00	1,057.00	4,307.00	4,307.07		.07
Fire Dept.	3,500.00		3,500.00	2,572.53	927.67	
Insurance & Bonds	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,451.70	48.30	
Planning & Zoning	100.00		100.00	18.37	81.63	
Dog Control	100.00		100.00	15.50	84.50	
Damages & Legal Expenses	500.00		500.00	1,400.00		900.00
Ambulance	75.00	207.92	282.92	435.82		152.90
Seacoast Regional Counseling	300.00		300.00	300.00		
Dump	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00		
Vital Statistics	150.00		150.00	22.50		127.50
HIGHWAY & BRIDGES:						
Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter	14,000.00		14,000.00	14,244.04		244.04
State Subsidized Roadwork	3,785.34		3,785.34	3,785.34		
Water Holes	500.00		500.00	496.75	3.25	
TRA [Town Road Aid]	194.00		194.20	194.20		

LIBRARIES:	2,292.00		2,292.00	2,292.00		
PUBLIC WELFARE:						
Town Poor	300.00		300.00	448.21		148.21
Old Age Assistance	200.00		200.00	116.00	84.00	
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:						
Recreation Commission	300.00	*45.77	300.00	250.00	95.77	
Cemeteries, Ball Park & Common			700.00	715.84		15.84
Southeastern N. H. Regional Association	391.20		391.20	391.20		
Conservation Commission	200.00		200.00	48.30	151.70	
Historical Commission	50.00		50.00	- 0-	50.00	
REVENUE SHARING ARTICLE:						
Tax Map Fund [Capital Reserve]	1,000.00		1,000.00			
Dump	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		
Fire Dept.	500.00		500.00	500.00		
PAYMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND						
Capps Bridge	200.00		200.00	200.00		
Tax Map [Revenue Sharing]				1,000.00		

* Money returned to town

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 2, 1976

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hampton in the County of Rockingham, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, held on the 2nd of March, 1976 at the South Hampton Town Hall, the following business was transacted:

The Town Warrant was read by Moderator, Horace Cressy at 1:00 p.m. and a motion was made to work under Art. I, and it was duly seconded. The remaining articles to be acted upon the following day at seven thirty P.M. A total of 186 votes were cast out of 408 registered voters.

Article I

Results were: Town Officers elected as follows:

Ernest J. Bonah, Selectman, 3 yrs., 144 votes
Donald S. Hellen, Treasurer, 167 votes
Charles I. Harlow, Tax Collector, 3 yrs., 160 votes
John J. Santosuosso, Highway Agent, 128 votes
Charles N. Dennett, 2 yr. unexpired term, Trustee of the Trust funds, 159 votes
Vincent Early, 3 yr. trustee of Trust Funds, 12 votes
Albert Gray, Cemetary Trustee, 169 votes
Vincent Early, Cemetery Trustee, 12 votes
Michael Santosuosso, Constable, 17 votes
John J. Santosuosso, Police, 119 votes
Lawrence E. Zagranis, Police, 132 votes
Elaine Coffin, 3 yr. Library Trustee, 155 votes
Robert W. Fraser, Auditor, 164 votes
Philip M. Imbrescia, Auditor, 135 votes

School District Officers Elected as Follows:

Horace T. Cressy, Moderator, 155 votes
Lawrence A. Baker, 3 yr. School Board, 152 votes
Donald S. Hellen, Treasurer, 170 votes
Robert W. Fraser, Auditor, 165 votes
Philip M. Imbrescia, Sr., Auditor, 22 votes

Audrey G. Brunet, School Clerk, 101 votes
Patricia K. Nelson School Clerk, 80 votes, defeated

Article II

The following evening on March 3, 1976 the remaining articles in the warrant were acted upon. The meeting was called to order by Horace Cressy, Moderator, Jewell Currier explained article and made a motion to appropriate $39,817 to defray town charges. Seconded by John Stewart and voted in the affirmative.

Article III

John Santosuosso made a motion to accept article for the sum of $194.20 for the improvement of Class V roads. Seconded by Nancy R. Morss and voted in the affirmative.

Article IV

Jewell Currier explained article and made a motion to authorize the selectmen to administer, sell or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by tax collector's deed; and sale to be either by private sale to the previous owner, or public action with selectmen retaining the right to reject any or all bids. Seconded by John Santosuosso and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE V

Jewell Currier explained article and made a motion to authorize Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes. Duly Seconded by Howard Merrill and so voted.

ARTICLE VI

John Santosuosso explained article and made a motion to appropriate the sum of $200. to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the reconstruction of Capps Bridge, so called. It was duly seconded by James Miller and voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE VII

Wallace Verge Explained article and made a motion to join the Strafford Rockingham Regional Council and authorize the town's representation to the Southeastern N.H. Regional Planning Comm. and appropriate the sum of $391.20 for this purpose. Seconded by Ellen Cressy and so voted.

ARTICLE VIII

Howard Merrill made a motion to appropriate the sum of $300. for the support of the Seacoast Regional counseling center. It was seconded by Nancy R . Morss and so voted.

ARTICLE IX

Vincent Early made a motion to appropriate $300. for recreational purposes. It was duly seconded by Paul Stefanski and so voted.

Article X

Philip Imbrescia, Sr., made a motion to accept the article to raise the sum of $3,500. for the Police department, and it was seconded by Nancy R. Morss. John Stewart made an amendment vote for $3,250, seconded by Richard Verge. It was so voted and the amendment carried yes, 47 votes, no, 35 votes.

Article XI

John Santosuosso explained article and made a motion to accept $3,785.34 from Highway Subsidy monies to be used with bridge funds to repair Capps Bridge or to be used on Hilldale Ave. near the newton line to repair road near cemetary. It was duly seconded by Ellen Cressy and so voted.

ARTICLE XII

Philip Imbrescia, Sr. made a motion to release $3,277.51 from Capps Bridge to repair bridge, seconded and voted in the affirmative.

Article XIII

Howard Merrill explained article, which if supported, the South Hampton Fire Dept. would be supported and eliminate the contract with Amesbury, as the S.H. Fire Dept. is now a member of the Interstate Mutual Aid System. Mr. Merrill mentioned the Amesbury Fire Contract with So. Hampton, which he proceeded to read. Amesbury is on Mutual Aid and the Selectmen wished the people to understand what "M A" is and that South Hampton will be the primary fire department if this article is voted through. Much discussion followed. Carole McCarthy made a motion to table article, seconded by Peter Coffin. Nancy R. Morss made a motion not to accept article, seconded by Elaine Jordan. Philip Imbrescia, Sr. asked that the liability clause be read again. Previous motions were retracted and a motion was made by Michael Santosuosso to vote on article 13, seconded by Edward Hess Jr., and the article was defeated 42 yes and 67 no. Other Discussion under this article was to table this motion, giving selectmen power to sign contract and to ask them to check into Lloyds of London or other insurance companies for coverage of Amesbury's Fire Equipment and men. Defeated, 2/3 vote not reached - 111 votes, 65 yes, 46 no.

Article XIV

Victor Nichols made a motion to see if the town would appropriate $1,000. to match the Federal Grant of $1,000. for the purpose of purchasing radio equipment. Seconded by Bernard Stebbins and so voted.

Article XV

To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,000. from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for the purpose of Fire Phone Network Maintenance, training equipment and oil for the Fire Dep. Alan Philcrantz made a motion to amend this article to read that 500. be appropriated, seconded by Herman Linke and so voted.

Article XVI

John Stewart made a motion to see if the town would vote to maintain a section of road, known as Busgmouth Hill Rd., said section of road running southerly from Chase Rd. to the southerly boundary of the property of Herman Linke, seconded by Edward Hess and voted in the negative, article defeated.

Article XVII

Ellen Cressy explained article and made a motion to create, establish and maintain a town Mosquito control District under the provisions of RSA 437-A of the N.H. State Laws. Borders of the district shall consist of the borders of the town. It was duly seconded by John Young and so voted.

Article XVIII

Jewell Currier made a motion to see if the town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund Established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set offs against budgeted appropriations for the following priority purposes and in amounts indicated:

Approp.	Amount
Town Dump	in fund 2,000.

This was duly seconded by Raymond Lanza and that the 2,000. be reduced to 1,500. as set offs and be applied to the Town Dump. It was voted in the affirmative. Mr. Lanza also made an amendment that 1,000. be put towards the Tax Map. Voted in the affirmative.

Article XIX

Voted by ballot on March 2, 1976 - Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Amendment No. 1 - yes 105 and no 68
No. 2 - Yes 125 and no 48
No. 3 - yes 88 and no 93

Article XX

Yes 147 and No 31 [Real Estate Exemptions]

Article XXI

Yes 113 and No. 59 [Tax exemption for solar energy heating]

Article XXII

Yes 162 and No 16 [absentee voting for town elections]

Article XXIII

Lawrence Zagranis proposed that the Chief of Police be put on a ballot next year and also made the motion the same, seconded by William Guild. Jewell Currier Explained why John Santosuosso was chosen Chief, 24 hr. duty, 20 years service. The motion was carried favorably, but legal aspects must be investigated. [41:47]

Ellen Cressy asked for a vote of thanks to Howard Merrill, our outgoing selectman. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m. Sworn in at open meeting were Moderator, Horace Cressy; Vincent Early, Trustee of the Trust Funds and Cemetery Trustee; John Santosuosso, Police and Highway Agent; Donald Hellen, Treasurer; Charles Harlow, Tax Collector and Michael Santosuosso, Constable.

Respectfully submitted,

ANN E. STEFANSKI
Town Clerk, South Hampton

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

Permits for Registration of Motor Vehicles for Year Ending December 31, 1976

No. of Permits issued for 1975 - 18 Total Receipts for 1975	$ 265.26
No. of Permits issued for 1976 - 995 Total Receipts for 1976	20,762.50
Filing Fees	6.00
TOTAL	21,038.76
Paid Treasurer	$21,033.76

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

Total dog licenses collected 1/1/76 through 12/31/76

DEBIT	
Amount of Dog taxes collected 1976	416.00
CREDIT	
Total remittances to treasurer	385.00
Fees retained	31.00
TOTAL	$ 416.00

Respectfully submitted,
ANN E. STEFANSKI
Town Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer:	144,944.46	
TOTAL		144,944.46
Tax map	3,215.91	
Bridge Fund	412.36	
TOTAL		3,628.27
Unredeemed Taxes:		
[b] Levy of 1975	1,409.76	
[c] Levy of 1974	202.38	
TOTAL		1,612.14
Uncollected Taxes:		
[a] Levy of 1976 Incl. Res. Taxes	31,821.37	
[b] Levy of 1975	679.00	
[c] Levy of 1974	183.60	
TOTAL		32,683.97
TOTAL ASSETS		182,868.84
GRAND TOTAL		182,868.84
Current Surplus, December 31, 1975	26,923.28	
Current Surplus, December 31, 1976	19,194.03	
Decrease of Surplus - Change in Financial Condition	7,729.25	

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	2,994.64	
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	919.90	
School District[s] Tax[es] payable	156,132.00	
TOTAL ACCOUNTS OWED BY THE TOWN		160,046.54
Capital Reserve Funds: [Offsets similar Assets Account]		3,628.27
TOTAL LIABILITIES		163,674.81
Current Surplus [Excess of assets over liabilities]		19,194.03
Should equal this GRAND TOTAL		182,868.84

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the year ended December 31, 1976

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

1. Property Taxes-Current Yr. 1976	157,947.78	
2. Resident Taxes- Current Yr. 1976	3,660.00	
4. Yield Taxes-Current Yr. 1976	181.50	
5. Total Current Yr's Taxes Collected and Remitted		161,789.28
6. Property Taxes and Yield Taxes Previous Years		30,020.65
7. Resident Taxes-Previous Yrs.		640.00
9. Int. received on Delinquent Taxes		937.31
10. Penalties: Resident Taxes 60.00		60.00
11. Tax sales redeemed		217.28

From State:	
12. For Highways and Bridges:	3,785.34
13. Interest and dividends tax	6,048.24
15. Savings Bank Tax	297.12
23. Meals and Rooms Tax	4,395.43
24. Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	42,147.26
25. All other receipts from state	1,557.00
From Local Sources, except taxes:	
26. Dog Licenses	385.00
27. Business licenses, permits, filing fees	306.92
29. Rent of town property	40.00
35. Motor vehicle permits 1975-265.26 • 1976-20,762.50	21,027.76
TOTAL CURRENT REV. RECEIPTS	273,654.57

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:		
1. Town officers salaries	4,365.48	
2. Town officers expenses	3,176.34	
3. Election and registration exp.	249.00	
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	3,627.62	
Protection of Persons and Property:		
7. Police Department	4,307.07	
9. Fire Dept., including forest fires	2,572.73	
11. Planning and Zoning	18.37	
12. Damage by dogs	15.50	
13. Insurance	1,451.70	
15. Conservation Commission	48.30	
16. Health Dept. Inc. Hospitals and ambulance	435.82	
17. Vital Statistics	22.50	
19. Town dumps and garbage removal	3,500.00	

Highways and Bridges:	
20. Town Road Aid	196.45
21. Town Maintenance Summer-7,244.48 • Winter-6,999.56	14,244.04
Libraries:	
24. Libraries	2,292.00
Public Welfare:	
25. Old Age assistance	116.00
26. Town poor	448.21
Recreation:	
29. Parks and playgrounds.	250.00
Public Service Enterprises:	
31. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	715.84
Unclassified:	
33. Damages and legal expenses	1,400.00

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS [continued]

RECEIPTS

Total receipts brought forward	273,654.57
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	
39. Insurance Adjustments	292.00
40. Refunds	265.64
44. Withdrawals from Capital Res. Funds	3,168.41
50. Grants from U.S.A.	
[a] Revenue Sharing	2,821.15
[b] Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	178.85

TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE		6,726.10
TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES		280,380.67
Cash on hand January 1, 1976 -- [July 1, 1976]		156,247.90
This GRAND TOTAL		436,628.57

PAYMENTS

Unclassified: ¶continued]		
34. Adv. and Regional Assoc.	691.20	
35. Taxes bought by town	1,518.59	
36. Discounts, Abatements and refunds	769.27	
39. All other Current Maintenance Expenses	2,202.05	
TOTAL CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES.		48,633.68
Capital Outlay:		
47. Highways and Bridges-Town Const.	10,314.88	
55. Payments to Capital Res. Funds	1,200.00	
TOTAL OUTLAY PAYMENTS		11,514.88
58. Payments to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	14.91	
59. Taxes paid to County	14,908.84	
61. Payments to School Districts 1975 tax 163,611.80-1975 tax 53,000.00	216,611.80	
TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS		231,535.55
Total Payments for all purposes		291,684.11

Cash on hand December 31, 1976 -- [June 30, 1977]	144,944.46
SHOULD EQUAL THIS GRAND TOTAL	436,628.57

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1976

- DR. -

Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	189,239.15		
Resident Taxes	4,190.00		
Total Warrants		193,429.15	
Yield Taxes		181.50	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		4.91	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		6.00	
TOTAL DEBITS			193,621.56

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Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	157,947.78		
Resident Taxes	3,660.00		
Yield Taxes	181.50		
Interest Collected	4.91		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	6.00	161,800.19	
Uncollected Tax - December 31, 1976: [as per collector's list]			
Property Taxes	31,291.37		
Resident Taxes	530.00		
		31,821.37	
TOTAL CREDITS			193,621.56

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1975

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976:			
Property Taxes	30,567.01		
Resident Taxes	810.00		
		31,377.01	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Tax		932.40	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		54.00	
TOTAL DEBITS			32,363.41

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976:			
Property Taxes	29,834.81		
Resident Taxes	640.00		
Interest Collected During Yr.	932.40		
Penalties on Resident Tax.	54.00		
		31,461.21	
Abatements Made During Yr:			
Property Taxes	223.20		
		223.20	
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976: [As per collector's list]			
Property Taxes	509.00		
Resident Taxes	170.00		
		679.00	
			32,363.41

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1974

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1976:			
Yield Taxes	185.84		
Property Taxes	93.60		
Resident Taxes	90.00		
		369.44	
TOTAL DEBITS			369.44

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976:			
Yield Taxes	185.84		
		185.84	
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976: [As per collector's List]			
Property Taxes	93.60		
Resident Taxes	90.00		
		183.60	
TOTAL CREDITS			369.44

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

- DR. -

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of: 1975	1974
[a] Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976		299.33
[b] Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	1,518.59	
Interest Collected After Sale	3.21	8.29
TOTAL DEBITS	1,521.80	307.62

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:		
Redemptions	108.83	96.95
Interest & Costs After Sale	3.21	8.29
Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1976	1,409.76	202.38
TOTAL CREDITS	1,521.80	307.62

[a] "Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1976:" Should include balances of Unredeemed Taxes, as of beginning of fiscal year - January 1, 1976 from Tax Sales of Previous Years.

[b] "Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year:" Tax Sales held during fiscal year ending December 31, 1976, should include total amount of taxes, interest and costs of date of sale.

NOTE: TOTAL DEBITS and TOTAL CREDITS should agree.

SOUTH HAMPTON TOWN REPORT

TREASURERS REPORT

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1976:	$156,247.90
Received from Selectmen:	
State of N.H. Public Highway Fund	3,785.34
State of N.H. Reinbursement for Crime Commission	1,057.00
State of N.H. Title IV Rural Fire Protection	500.00
State of N.H. Business Profits Tax	42,147.24
State of N.H. Interest and Dividends Tax	6,048.24
State of N.H. Savings Bank Tax	297.12
State of N.H. Room and Meals Tax	4,395.43
Ambulance Reinbursement	207.92
Rent of Hall	40.00
Explosive Permits	4.00
Pistol Permits	20.00
Junk License	25.00
DeMeritt Agency Inc. Refund	235.00
Capp's Bridge Trust Fund	3,168.41
DeMeritt Agency Inc. Overpayment	21.00
Recreation Committee-Return	45.77
Briggs Insurance-Refund	36.00
Rockingham County Selectmen Association	12.00
Building Permits	251.92
Revenue Sharing	3,000.00
Received from Collector:	
Property Tax 1975	29,834.81
Interest 1975	932.40
Property Tax 1976	157,947.78
Interest 1976	4.91
Tax Sales Redeemed 1974	100.00
Interest on Sales	5.24
Tax Sales Redeemed 1975	108.83
Interest on Sales	3.21
Yield Tax 1974	185.84
Yield Tax 1975	181.50
Resident Tax 1975	620.00
Penalties	54.00
Resident Tax 1976	3,680.00
Penalties	6.00
Tax Sales Redeemed 1975	108.83
Interest on Sales	3.21

Received from Town Clerk:

Auto Permits - 1975	265.26
Auto Permits - 1976	20,762.50
Filing Fees	6.00
Dog Licenses	385.00
TOTAL	436,628.57
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	291,689.11
Balance	$ 144,944.46

REVENUE SHARING REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON N.H.

Deposited in the Provident Institution for Savings, Amesbury, Mass. Book No. 66965.

Jan. 1, 1976 Balance	$ 1,269.05
Jan. 9, 1976 Deposited	594.00
April 9, 1976 Deposited	594.00
July 16, 1976 Deposited	595.00
October 8, 1976 Deposited	689.00
TOTAL	3,741.05
Interest Collected	178.85
TOTAL	3,919.90
Withdrew on Orders from Selectmen	3,000.00
Balance	919.90

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Charles Ducharme-Selectmen	400.00
Ernest Bonah-Selectmen	400.00
Jewell E. Currier-Selectmen	450.00
Donald Hellen, Treasurer	250.00
Charles Harlow-Tax Collector	1,452.48
Ann Stefanski, Town Clerk Salary	350.00
Ann Stefanski, Motor Vehicle Permits	1,013.00
Philip Imbrescia-Auditor	25.00
Robert Fraser-Auditor	25.00
TOTAL	4,365.48

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

N. H. City & Town Clerks Assoc. - Dues	10.00
N. H. Association Assessing Officials - Dues	10.00
N. H. Municipal Association - Dues	200.00
Postmaster, Amesbury, Ma. - Stamps	26.84
Postmaster, E. Kingston, N.H. - Stamps	143.00
Revenue Sharing Advisory Service-Bulletin Renewal	25.00
Port Stationers - Office Supplies	69.00
New England Telephone	355.07
Haverhill Gazette-Ads.	150.50
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., Treas. Tax Book, Etc.	94.22
Robert Fraser-Stamps & Envelopes	6.30
Poiriers News-Office Supplies	19.90
The Whittier Press-Check List, Ballots, Letterheads	217.00
Wheeler & Clark-Dog Tags, Etc.	34.39
Greaney Trucking Co.-Safe Removal	15.00
The Whittier Press-Town Reports	970.00
Inez M. Cushman-N.H. Tax Collectors Assoc. - Dues	10.00
Homestead Press & Bookshop-Res. Tax Bills & Env.	71.25
Union Flag Co., 3x5 Nylon Flag	20.00
Vics Key Shop-Repair Selectmens Door	3.00
Charles Harlow-Convention Expenses	87.40
Ann Stefanski-Convention & Other Expenses	160.87
N. H. Local Welfare Adm. Assocl-Dues	5.00
Tim Hoyt-PTA Calendar	10.00
June Stewart-Salary	400.00
Branham Publishing Co.-Auto Ref. Book	11.10
Donald Hellen-Expenses	41.50
TOTAL	$ 3,176.34

TOWN HALL & OTHER BUILDINGS

George C. Knight-Fuel	1,557.42
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	519.82
Adona Crosby-Janitorial Services	760.00
Amesbury Hardware Co.-Supplies	50.36
Joe's Burner Service	104.00
Jack Sanborn-Repairs	194.30
Equipment Co. of Amesbury-Rubbish Pickup	31.50
Express Rubbish Removal	24.00
Custom Seamless Floors-Reglazed Town Hall Floor	300.00
Amesbury Paint & Hardware Supply-Supplies	18.72
Canepa Bros. 2 Cases Paper Products	67.50
TOTAL	3,627.62

ELECTION & REGISTRATION

So. Hampton Baptist Ladies Circle	6.00
The Whittier Press-Voter Registration Cards	28.00
The Squamscott Press-Ballots	35.00
Horace Cressy-Moderator	22.50
Ella Currier-Ballot Clerk	22.50
Bernard Stebbins-Supervisor of Check List	22.50
Shirley Michaud-Ballot Clerk	22.50
Ruth Smith-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Doris Currier-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Helen Atherton-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Eleanor Batcheldor-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Ruth Early-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Phyllis Swerlin-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Thelma Hellen-Ballot Clerk	7.50
Carlene Kozacka-Supervisor Check List	22.50
Margaret Estabrook-Supervisor Check List	15.00
TOTAL	249.00

DOGS

Merrimac Valley Animal Hospital	15.50

POLICE

New England Telephone	35.25
John Santosuosso	2,418.00
Larry Zagranis	400.00
Motorola Inc.	1,113.00
Ben's Uniform Inc.	25.06
Michael Santosuosso	225.00
Amesbury Hardware-Batteries	5.76
William Battles	75.00
Edward Hess	10.00
TOTAL	4,307.07

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Tresurer, State of New Hampshire	116.00

PUBLIC WELFARE

Exeter Area Youth Group Home Inc.	75.00
Odyssey House	312.00
Vermettes	61.21

TOWN ROAD AID

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	196.48

MISCELLANEOUS

Charles Dennett	23.50
Velma Reed-Reimbursement on Safe	42.00
Branding Irons-Memorial Stone	139.80
TOTAL	205.30

PLANNING BOARD

Haverhill Gazette-Planning Bd. Ad	18.37

CEMETERIES & BALL PARK

The Haverhill Gazette-Ad for Help	15.84
Pudgy's Lawn Service	700.00

REGIONAL ASSOCIATION

Southeastern New Hampshire Regional Planning Comm.	391.20

DAMAGES & LEGAL EXPENSES

Perkins, Holland, Donovan & Beckett	450.00
Summer Agency-Property Assessment	950.00
TOTAL	1,400.00

DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS AND REFUNDS

William Amsler-Abatement on taxes	592.54
Robert Berry-Abatement on taxes	149.60
John Holmstrom-Refund Interest on Real Estate	2.30
Charles Currier-Refund Interest on Real Estate	24.83
TOTAL	769.27

SEACOAST COUNSELING SERVICE

Seacoast Counseling Service	300.00

VITAL STATISTICS

Ann Stefanski	6.50
Northeast National Bank-Safety Deposit Box	15.00
Edith Holland-Registry Deeds-Current Use Land	1.00

TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Charles Harlow, Tax Collector	1,518.59

CAPITAL RESERVE

Donald Hellen, Treas. Tax Map Fund	1,000.00
Vincent Early-Trustee Trust Fund-Capps Bridge	200.00
TOTAL	1,200.00

SCHOOL

Donald Hellen, Treas.	216,611.80

COUNTY TAX

N. H. State Treasurer-Yield Tax	14.91
Winston H. Lothrop, County Treas.	14,908.84
TOTAL	14,923.75

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The N. H. Assoc. of Conservation Comm. - Dues	20.00
The Whittier Press	28.30
TOTAL	48.30

LIBRARY

Walter Ross, Trustee	2,292.00

RECREATIONAL COMMISSION

Carol Baker-Salary & Expenses for Summer program	185.00
Beth Chandler-Salary-Summer program	65.00
TOTAL	250.00

WATER HOLES

Rockingham County Conservation Comm.	496.75

AMBULANCE

Town of Amesbury	435.82

DUMP

Town of Newton	3,500.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

New England Telephone	700.08
Harvey's Amoco	157.93
Amesbury Hardware Co.-Batteries	25.44
Amesbury Paint & Hardware Co.	10.49
George C. Knight	155.32
A. Poggio-Gas	5.62
Interstate Emergency Unit	2.00
Seacoast Chief Officers Assoc.	50.00
Jacks Auto Parts	66.79
Lakes Region Mutual Aid-Fire School	16.00
Fraser Pontiac	33.27
Peter Martin-Fire School	8.00
Robert Bragg	5.00
Richard Dollen-Repair Truck	15.00
N. H. Assoc. of Fire Chiefs-Fire School A. Philcrantz	16.00
Thomas Communications- G.E. Radio for Truck	75.00
Ed. Hilton & Son-Replace Old Tank	175.00
Motortown Auto Parts Inc.	72.44
Charles Eastman Insurance	232.00
Tim Hoyt-PTA Calendar	5.00
Clayts Auto Body-Paint Tanker	100.00
W. J. Battles-Letter Fire Truck	30.00
Farrar Company	115.95
Town of Amesbury	500.00
TOTAL	2,572.33

INSURANCE & BONDS

DeMeritt Agency Inc.-Workmens Comp., Bond: Town Clerk & Tax Collector	512.00
DeMeritt Agency, - Bond: Town Treasurer	201.00

DeMeritt Agency - Bond: Trustee Trust Funds	62.00
Charles Eastmen-Security Bond	99.00
Charles Eastmen	338.00
Charles Eastmen	167.70
R. C. Briggs Agency-Police Radio	72.00
TOTAL	$1,451.70

FEDERAL GRANT MATCHING FUNDS
[Fire Dept.]

Wright Communications Inc.	385.00
Albert R. Lafford-1 sm. radio Tel. & 2 pr. crystals	615.00
TOTAL	$1,000.00

REVENUE SHARING

Seacoast Chief Fire Officers Assoc. - Circle of Light Dues and Hose	367.80
Flexhaust Co.	107.78
The Whittier Press	14.10
Harveys Amoco	10.32
Donald Hellen, Treas.-Tax Map	1000.00
Town of Newton, Dump	1,500.00
TOTAL	3,000.00

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Johnson Lumber Co.	17.44
Iafolla Industries-Cold Patch	361.96
John Santosuosso	1,450.00
Adam Mazur	1,356.75
Tambrook Tree Service	760.00
Penn Culvert Co.	382.20
Philip Imbrescia Jr.	20.00
Trimount Bituminous Prod. Asphalt	2,096.10
Albert Warren-Hire Grader & Roller	705.60
New England Telephone	5.63
Alan Dexter-Sweep yard and school yard	10.00
Calvin Eaton-Gravel	35.00

Treas. State of N.H. - Deaf Child Sign & Posts	43.80
TOTAL	7,244.48

WINTER MAINTENANCE

John Santouosso-Plowing	635.00
Adam Mazur-Plowing, Sanding etc.	5,848.25
New England Telephone	1.48
Dewey Bowley-Hire of Spreader	100.00
Granite State Minerals Inc.-Outstanding Bill	414.83
TOTAL	6,999.56

SCHOOL

Donald Hellen, Treas.	216,611.80

BRIDGE FUND

Calvin Eaton-Gravel	35.00
Eastern Lumber Co.	15.55
Johnson Lumber Co.	340.90
David Santosuosso-Labor	20.00
Ray Gamble-Labor	21.00
Dick Gadsby-Hot Top	1,190.00
John Santouosso-Labor	1,115.00
Chester Straw-Labor	232.50
Philip Imbrescia-Labor	30.00
Rudy Knapp-Labor	90.00
Adam Mazur	584.00
Michael Santosuosso-Labor	539.00
Michael Santosuosso Jr.-Labor	60.00
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.-Temporary Service	39.87
Bill Pottle	242.90
Schofield of Haverhill Inc.	3,246.70
Arthur Cronin	121.00
N.A. Nichols Co. Inc.	51.18
Georgetown Construction Co., Concrete	817.40
E. A. Wilson Co.	191.10
N. & R. Construction Co.	873.00

Lyons Supply Co.	231.75
Midway Excavators.	227.00
TOTAL	10,314.85

SUMMARY OF TRUST ACCOUNTS ON DEPOSIT WITH HAMPTON NATIONAL BANK
Hampton, New Hampshire

Name of Account Date opened	Principal Balance	Interest Rate	Interest Accrued '76	Withdrawn	Value of Acct. 12/31/76
Cemetary Trust Funds C.D. #691 2/12/75	$ 5,823.86	7.52%	$ 437.95	$ 600.00 1/12/77	$6,043.38
Cemetery Trust Fund Saving 009-913-4 8/21/75	$ 100.00	4.06%	$ 3.92	--------	$ 104.92
Mary Currier Library Trust 610-143-7	$ 200.00	5.09%	$ 13.78	-------	$ 376.93
Public Library Building Fund C.D. #665 2/12/75	$ 1,294.20	7.52%	$ 91.34	-------	$ 1,385.54
William N. Crosby Library Building Fund C.D. #715 4/16/75	$ 4,764.10	7.52%	$ 358.26	-------	$5,410.93

Town of South Hampton, N.H. Bridge Repair Fund C. D. #689 2/12/75	$ 2,888.28	7.52%	$ 90.90	$3,168.41 8/27/76	-------
Bridge Repair Fund C.D. 786 12/31/75	$ 200.00	6.18%	$ 12.36	$ 212.36	-------
Bridge Repair Fund C. D. #1147 12/31/76	$ 212.36 $ 200.00				$ 412.36

Town of South Hampton, N.H. Tax Map Trust Fund C. D. #690	$1,000.00	7.52%	$75.20	-------	$ 1,140.71
Tax Map Trust Fund C. D. #875 12/31/75	$ 1,000.00	7.52%	$ 75.20	-------	$ 1,075.20
Tax Map Trust Fund C. D. #1146	$ 1,000.00				$. 1,000.00

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR 1976

Fiction	1002
Non Fiction	707
Juvenile Fiction	2757
Juvenile Non Fiction	1123
Periodicals	457
Recordings	311
TOTAL CIRCULATION	6367
BOOKS WITHDRAWN:	
Adult	36
Juvenile	21
TOTAL	57
BOOKS ADDED BY PURCHASE:	
Adult	89
Juvenile	32
TOTAL	121
BOOKS ADDED BY GIFT:	
Adult	28
Juvenile	62
TOTAL	90
TOTAL NUMBER OF BOOKS ADDED IN 1976	211

The New Hampshire State Library Bookmobile visited our library four [4] times, with a total of 1035 books left on loan. In addition 43 books were borrowed directly from the State Library at the request of patrons. We received recognition from the State Library Development Program, again in 1976, for meeting state standards. We are in the Statewide Library Card System and a total of 43 townspeople hold statewide cards. The summer reading club was a success with 29 children participating.

Respecffully submitted;

CAROLE A. McCARTHY
Librarian

SOUTH HAMPTON LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT
For year ending 1976

This year we improved the appearance of the library. The floor was sanded and varnished. Friends of the Library hung new curtains and paid for the painting of walls and ceiling. Trustee, Walter Ross, painted the children's book shelves.

We received donations of sixty-two children's books and twenty-eight adult books. Several Plants were also donated.

Twenty-nine elementary school children participated in the Summer Bicentennial Reading Club organized by our librarian. Mrs. McCarthy had a party for the children in September.

Several workships were attended by the librarian and trustees. Mrs. McCarthy attended an adult book review September 22 in Exeter. November 15, the Atkinson, N.H. Library was host to a workshop on [Censorship in Public Libraries] which Mrs. McCarthy and Mrs. Merrill Attended. A children's book review in Exeter, No. 9, was thoroughly enjoyed by Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. Coffin and Mrs. Merrill. One of our goals for 1975 and 1976 was to improve our children's collection and give it variety.

By having our old town reports bound, they have become an excellent reference source for the selectmen and planning board. Some helpful information was recently fouund pertaining to one of our old roads.

We would like to thank the Friends of the Library for their financial support and staffing the library Monday evenings through the winter months.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLYN MERRILL
ELAINE COFFIN
WALTER ROSS
Trustees

LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT
1975

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1975	678.19
Savings Account No. 65785	275.62
Interest on Acct. No. 65786	14.83
Mary Scheffield Fund	145.60
Interest on Sheffield Fund	7.83
Appropriation 1976	2,292.00
TOTAL	$ 3,414.07

EXPENDITURES

Librarians Salary	1,092.00
Janitor Service	110.00
Books	635.11
Periodicals	147.70
Postage and Supplies	41.73
Maintenance	161.27
Insurance	23.75
Dues and Misc.	30.95
Savings Account No. 65785	290.45
Mary Sheffield Fund	153.43
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1976	727.68
TOTAL	$ 3,414.07

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Appropriation-	$ 3,250.00
* Larry Zagranis-From Town Funds, Labor	400.00
William Battles, From Town Funds, Special Labor and Duty	75.00
Edward Hess, From Town Funds, Special Duty	10.00
Micheal Santosuosso, Constable, Labor and Mileage	250.00
John Santosuosso, From Town Funds, Mileage	1,375.00
John Santosuosso, Telephone Calls and expenses	18.00
Ben's Men, Amesbury - Badge and other supplies	25.06
Amesbury Hardware, Supplies - [Batteries]	5.76
Police Dept. Share Paid out to Crime Commission for Radio	56.00
Hand Held Walkie Talkie, Their share $ 1,057.00	
John Santosuosso, From Town Funds Labor	1,000.00
Telephone calls charged to Town for Dept.	23.48
Jack's Auto Parts, Two Blue Lights	11.78
*Resigned	
	$3,250.08

Again as in the past, I wish to thank everyone who worked along with us this past year. We have had a very busy year, with many varied calls and complaints, from House Breaks fires, our share of Automobile Accidents, Burned and abandoned cars, to Domestic calls, plus Traffic Duty and Radar Traffic Control. We have given free time to all Town functions and organizations, plus opening day of School and Graduation This past year our portable radio was put in service and has worked out very well. Our share of this to the Crime Commission was [56.00] dollars as noted in the report. Again my thanks to Lloyd Currier for checking it out.

This past year I have answered a variety of calls, some of which were very time consuming and consisting of the following. I served 27 summons, responed to 7 fires, 6 vandalism cases, 1 shooting complaint, one shooting complaint on posted land, one wayward bear smashing bee hives, one wayward calf, 6 wayward children, 4 calls people stealing wood, 3 calls people stealing stone walls, 6 calls for stolen signs, 4 calls for vandilizing mailboxes, 4 calls for smashed lights, One call for missing mailbox, 6 burnt cars, 6 abandoned cars, 2 hit and run cases, 7 Mutual Aid calls from Neighboring Towns.

I also checked 28 cars for title numbers for Registration, Issued 12 citations, 4 stop sign violations, [Unfit for driving] two of these where towed, 14 D.I. tags, and 6 cars without stickers. Also there was 1 D.W.I. case and the driver was arrested,

losing his lic. for 90 days., 26 accidents, 4 of these arrested, 10 of these minor skidding accidents and not court cases. One call for Hermit being on private land, He was evicted, with nine dogs. 17 calls motor bikes in and on private property and also 4 horseback riding calls on posted land. 3 disorderly calls and 1 arrest, 14 calls for jeeps and four wheel drive vehicles on posted land. One call because of a tractor Backhoe going through posted land and cutting wires and breaking through stone walls, 10 Domestic calls three at Eatons Camp Ground, Three at Grandmasions and one at Gentiles. 2 arrests were made for breaking and entering, holding stolen property. 4 calls because of electrical wires being down and three calls to Lovelys with one arrest.

I Have driven my own vehicles over 9,000 miles, put in over 1400 man hours answering calls and complaints. Also I have put in a lot of leg work investigating fires, accidents, patroling, and checking around the town at all hours of the day or night, keeping an eye on all empty homes, and people's homes who's owners are on vacation.

I have put in a number of long hours throughout the year, not only for the Town and welfare of the Town's people, but in keeping with the ever changing times. I have attended Law enforcement meetings all over the State. I also have attended meetings in Concord at the Governor's request which are very time consuming and we have to pick up the tab ourselves. I maintain and pay my own repair bills on my vehicles, and we pay our own expenses and dues whenever we go to a meeting or a function.

This year we are asking for the sum of $ 3,500.00 to run the department.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN SANTOSUOSSO, CHIEF

1976 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The fire department had a total of 29 fire calls this year.

Mutual aid to Amesbury	9
Mutual aid to East Kingston	2
Mutual aid to Plum Island	1
Car fires	3
Chimney fires	2
Electric wires down	2
House electrical fires	2
Auto accidents	2
Shed fire	1
Woods fire	1
Grass fire	1
Smoke investigation	1
Gas wash down	1
Television fire	1

The department responded to 17 calls in our town. Seven of these calls were unassisted, which made a savings of $1400.00 to the town. At one call this year, we had assistance from East Kingston, Newton, Kensington, Kingston, and Seabrook at no charge, because our town belongs to the Interstate Mutual Aid System. These towns all deserve special thanks.

This year our department has put an article in the town warrant for the purchase of a used Class A pumper. This piece of apparatus will better the town in fire protection and life safety. It will also make a considerable savings on insurance rates. If you have any questions on this article, please contact the fire chief.

The Federal government, last year, granted the fire department $500.00 in a special grant, which the town matched with $500.00. We used this money to purchase a portable radio and three Plectron radios, which are a very important part of our communications system. We are asking for the same amount this year to enable us to purchase more radio equipment. Our red phone system has been very effective, in that the calls are handled quickly and efficiently. This phone system also activates the siren -- another important link in our communications.

Seven oil burner permits were issued in 1976, along with 65 out-door fire permits.

Several fire drills were held at Barnard School this past year. The students and teachers have been instructed in proper evacuation procedures and have successfully emptied the building in a matter of seconds.

The men in the department, again this year, have attended various courses at several fire schools. Each one has devoted many hours to this, and they are very well trained because of it.

This year the Firemen's Association built an addition on our fire station. Many hours of labor and all of the materials were provided by the Association. This was of no cost at all to the town. The Women's Auxiliary donated money to the department for the purchase of six firemen's coats and toward one of the radios. The cost will be shown in the budget breakdown.

This past year we assisted Amesbury, During their water problems at the pumping station, by lending them our portable 500 gallon forestry pumper. This service was provided under mutual aid, at no cost to the town of Amesbury for the pumper.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET BREAKDOWN FOR 1976

A.	Amesbury Fire Department	500.00
B.	Communications	
	1. New England Telephone	700.08
	2. Mobile radio	75.00
	3. So. Hampton P.T.A.	5.00
C.	Eastman Insurance	232.00
D.	Gasoline and state inspections	163.55
E.	Knight Oil	155.32
F.	Truck repairs and maintenance	190.00
	1. Jack's Auto	66.79
	2. Motor Town	72.44

3. Fraser Pontiac	149.22
4. Clay's Auto Body	100.00
5. Bill's Signs	30.00
G. Hand light batteries and supplies	
1. Amesbury Paint and Hardware	15.68
2. Pro Hardware	20.25
H. Fire School	45.00
Interstate Mutual Aid	2.00
1976 Seacoast Chief's Association -- Dues	50.00
TOTAL	2,572.33

REVENUE SHARING

Seacoast Chief's Association -- 1977 dues	50.00
200 ft. of 1 1/2'' hose	210.00
2 - 500 watt circle D Lamps	107.80
250 ft. of cord and sockets for circle D Lamps	107.78
Whittier Press - envelopes	14.10
Gasoline	10.32
TOTAL	500.00

FEDERAL GRANT

Federal grant	500.00
Matching funds from town	500.00
TOTAL	1,000.00
1 Portable radio	615.00
3 Plectron receivers and 1 Plectron tone alert	385.00
TOTAL	1,000.00
WATER HOLE BUDGET	500.00
Dry hydrants and piping	496.75
Balance	3.25

With next year's budget of 500.00 we hope to install these hydrants and pipe. The intention is to purchase the materials one year and install them as needed, whenever possible.

SOUTH HAMPTON FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT

Contribution to the Fire Department

Truck maintenance	46.50
Maintenance equipment	80.00
Fire station addition	966.45
TOTAL	1,092.95

Respectfully submitted,

ALAN PHILCRANTZ
Treasurer

SOUTH HAMPTON WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Contribution to the Fire Department

6 Firemen's Coats	298.35
Part payment for radio	61.00
TOTAL	359.35

Respectfully submitted,

CAROL A. HESS
Treasurer

In closing, I might say, that fire prevention is the best policy in that it keeps our homes and public buildings safe for all. Everyone in our town seems to be doing a great job toward that goal. I hope that anyone will feel free to call my home at any time in regards to fire laws and regulations.

THE FIRE PHONE NUMBER IS: 394-7511
FOR AN AMBULANCE, call: 388-1616

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. HESS, JR.
Fire Chief

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city Fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	746	294
District	128	72
Town		

DENNIS THORELL
District Fire Chief

EDWARD J. HESS JR.
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

Summer Maintenance

Iafolla Const. Co. Dura-Patch	361.95
Johnson Lumber, Supplies	17.41
Tarmarac Tree Service. Cutting Brush & Hire of Chipper	720.00
Penn Culvet Co. Culvets, Hilldale, and Stage Coach Rds.	302.20
Philip Imbrescia, Labor	20.00
Tarmarac Tree Service. Remove tree Stumps [common]	40.00
Albert Warren, Hire of Grader and Roller	705.60
Albert Dexter, Labor Sweeping School Yard.	10.00
John Santosuosso, Labor and Foreman.	550.00
Adam Mazur, Hire of Equipment and Sand for Mix job	1,356.25
John Santosuosso, Hire of Truck and Tractor	900.00
Calvin Eaton, Bank Run sand and gravel	35.00
Town Phone calls	5.63
Trimont Oil Co. Oil for Mix Jobs and roads	2,096.90
Deaf Child, Sign & Posts, Woodman Road.	43.60
Total	$ 7,244.74
Over Drawn	244.74

BRIEF RESUME OF WORK DONE THIS PAST YEAR

All roads were patched throughout the summer. The Brush was cut on Highland Road, Locust Street, part of Hilldale Ave. Woodman Road and Chase road. A chipper was hired and all brush that was cut was hauled away. More Brush should be cut this year, the Lone Goose road area is bad and should be cut. A new piece of road was put down on Hilldale ave, near the Newton Line with the old road ripped up. Two new culverts were added to take care of bad water and ice problems that we had last year. New gravel hauled in and a three inch Mix was put down and rolled. A two inch mix was put down on Lone Goose road after all the ditches were cleaned out and debris was hauled away. Other parts of this road should be done this year.

The same thing was done to parts of Chase road, and this road also needs more work this year. A New Culvert was put in on Stage Coach road to replace the old one that was plugged up and cracked and pushed up above the road bed causing a bad bump. Also some of the brush in the area was cut and ditches were cleaned out.

The Ditches were cleaned out on Hilldale Ave and one part of Locust Street with Sicty yards of mix used on different parts of the road to try to straighten out bad places in the road bed, such as part of Old 150 near Killcup residence, Highland St. Locust St. Hilldale ave.

This year, Highland Road, past Collins residence to Line should have work done, also Chase road and Woodman road needs repair, as does West Whitehall Road, and part of Hilldale ave, and also Locust Street, which handles a major part of traffic to and from P & S Lumber. These roads must be kept in shape or we will lose them and have to start all over again.

This year with the rising costs of oil, hiring of equipment and all the other things, we are asking for $10,000.00 for summer Maintenance. In closing I might add that I feel Monies appropriated last year were spent for the best interest of the Tax payer.

Respectfully submitted
JOHN SANTOSUOSSO, AGENT

T. R. A.
Project 417 Division 06

WOODMAN ROAD

State Share	$ 1,294.65
Town Share	196.48
Total	$ 1,491.00
Albert Warren, Hire of Grader and Roller	292.00
Eldwood Dixon, Gravel and Sand	200.00
Eldwood Dixon, Hire of trucks,	201.60
Richard Welsh, Hire of Equipment	90.00
John Santosuosso, Labor Const, Foreman	68.27
Trimount Oil Co. Asphalt for mix job.	637.83
	$ 1,490.50
Balance in account	0.63

Bad section of Woodman Road ripped up, brush cut Ditches shaped up, new gravel hauled in, and a three inch mix put down and rolled. This year about the same procedure below this mix, near big culvert.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN SANTOSUOSSO
Highway Agent

Capp's Bridge

Capp's Bridge, Fund.	$3,277.51
Highway Subsidy Funds	3,785.34
Total Funds	$7,072.85

Philip Imbrescia, Labor	30.00
Adam Mazur, Hire of Equipment	451.00
Schofield,s of Haverhill, Set up forms & concrete	3,246.70
N. A. Nichols, Steel for welding on bridge	51.18
Georgetown Const. Co. 7 yards concrete	191.40
Georgetown Const, Co. 19 yards 5,000 Mix Bridge Deck	627.00
E. A. Wilson, 7 yards concrete.	191.40
Exeter & Hampton, Temporary Service, Light & Bill.	39.87
Raymond Gamble, Labor	21.00
Michael Santosuosso III, Labor	60.00
Rudy Knapp, Skilled Labor	90.00
Chester Straw, Skilled Labor	232.50
John Santosuosso, Labor and Foreman	860.00
John Santosuosso, Hire of Truck and Tractor	180.00
John Santosuosso, Special Cash Purchase's	75.00
Eastern Lumber Cement for catch basin & Setting posts	15.55
Calvin Eaton, Bank Run Gravel	35.00
Midway Excavators, Guard Rails & Treated Posts and Bolts	227.40
Michael Santosuosso, Skilled Labor	539.00
Johnson Lumber, Nails and Supplies	340.90
David Santosuosso, Labor	20.00
N. R. Const, Used steel bridge griders and Gravel	873.60
Art Cronin, Cement finish work on bridge deck.	121.00
Recreational vehicles inc. Hire of Welder and cutting Torches.	242.90
Dick Gadsby, Hotting Bridge Approaches	1,190.00
Lyon's Steel Co., Supply Steel Repair Rods	231.75
Total	$10,314.85
	7,062.85
Over Drawn	$ 3,252.00

Respectfully Submitted
JOHN SANTOSUOSSO, AGENT

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

Picked up ten stray dogs and returned to the owners.
Picked up six dead dogs and buried them.
Picked up five strays and found homes for them.
Picked up ten dead cats and buried them.
Put two dogs to sleep that were hit by a car. No tags were on the dog. These dogs were also buried.
Answered forty nine dog complaints.
Seven dog bite complaints
Ten Complaints for dogs chasing deer and Livestock.
Twenty Two, Nuisance Dog's complaints
Ten complaints for dogs killing cat's and Livestock.

Purchased one bag of dog food.	7.00
Purchased one pair of leather gloves.	6.00
Mileage for services 360	54.00
Labor for same. 18 hours	54.00
Labor for other services, Picking up and buring dead animals	40.00
	$ 161.00

Respectfully submitted
JOHN SANTOSUOSSO
Acting Dog Officer

This bill for 1976 has not been paid

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets the first Tuesday of each month in the selectmen's office.

The Board has met regularly and several work sessions have been held. Several plot plans have been approved. No Major problems have developed this year.

The Board has contacted Southeastern N.H. Regional Planning Commission on several occasions and has received valuable information from them.

We feel that zoning is important for it helps to promote the orderly and healthy growth of this town. Suggestions and concerns from the townspeople are welcomed by us and we thank you for your support.

Respectfully Submitted,

WALLACE C. VERGE
WILLIAM BRUNET
WILLIAM AMSLER
MARY MERTINOOKE
ERNEST J. BONAH

DISPOSAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Disposal Committee of South Hampton would like to report on this year's progress of the dump situation.

This year is definately the year the Newton dump will close. There appears to be no way South Hampton can have a dump budget of $3,500.00.

Over the past year the Dump Committee has held correspondence with area towns and private concerns for a possible solution to South Hamptons rubbish disposal. The lowest cost per capita, long term solution for rubbish disposal is what we are working for.

Residential pickup for the town has been looked into and appears to be very expensive.

At the present time meetings are being held with Kensington on a possible incinerator. Meetings are also being held with Newton on possible containers at a transfer station to be hauled to a landfill dump.

Your Dump Committee will work on the problem until the best solution is found. Feel free to contact any member if you have questions or suggestions. We will make every effort to help keep you informed as progress is made.

LAWRENCE HOYT, Chairman
ROBERT NELSON, Secretary
BRUCE EATON
HOWARD MERRILL
CALVIN EATON
Disposal Committee

1976
BUILDING PERMITS

#154	Mrs. Zygmont Syvinski	Greenhouse	$ 42.24
#155	David Cronin	Colonial House	107.44
#156	Marion Tobey	Boat House	6.16
#157	Nancy R. Morss	Salt Box House	91.60
#158	Peter Martin	Additional Room	13.28
#159	Donald Currier	2 Car Garage	34.56
#160	James M. Hartwell	Colonial House	100.80
#161	Walter Ross	Demolish Barn	5.00
#162	Robert Nelson	Demolish Garage	5.00
#163	Robert Nelson	Metal Chimney	5.00
#164	Robert Nelson	2 Car Garage	23.04
#165	Charles Harlow	Fireplace	5.00
#166	John C. Rohner	Split Level Colonial	107.52
#167	P & S Lumber Co.	Warehouse Addition	80.00
#168	Town of So. Hampton	Addition	NC
#169	So. Hampton Baptist Ch.	Addition	NC
#170	VOID		
#171	Michael Santosuosso	Cattle Shelter	5.00
#172	Walter Syvinski	Greenhouse	42.24
#173	Horace Cressy	Pole Barn	26.88
#174	Howard Merrill	Porch	5.60
#175	Elwood N. Dixon	Pool Cabana	5.00

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL J. STEFANSKI
Building Inspector

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT

The Historic District Commission has held meetings during the year.

The former Kennerson property is of great concern to the Commission as it is a fire hazard and a dangerous place for curious children. A letter was sent to the Selectmen last year and as yet nothing has been done about this condition. This property is in the Historic District Area and at present is in a deplorable state. We will continue to pursue this matter until it is remedied.

A house on Highland Road was partially built without the knowledge or approval of the Commission. A visit was made to the site, and work was to be stopped until a drawing could be obtained. As soon as the drawing is received the Commission will meet to study the plans. They feel this matter will be satisfactorily settled.

We are proud of our historical town and will, to the best of our ability, keep the designated Historic Districts in accordance with the approved regulations.

NANCY MORSS
SADIE EMBREE
EFFIE BERRY

REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

In 1976 there were 11 applications for disposal work. All work was completed in regard to local and state requisitions and inspected by me.

FRANCIS E. SMITH
Health Officer

REPORT OF THE SOUTH HAMPTON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The Town of South Hampton was recognized officially as a Bicentennial Community in a ceremony at the Town Hall on June 27, 1976 at which the Town was presented the blue American Revolution Bicentennial flag.

In addition to the presentation ceremonies on June 27, the Bicentennial Commission planned and coordinated a flea market and bean supper on May 15 and a Bicentennial Day on July 18 which featured an ecumencial service on the Common, a Lobster and Clam Bake, and a Band Concert.

During the spring, the Commission applied to the State Revolutionary Bicentennial Commission for a $1,000 grant for the new Barnard School Playground. The Commission was proud to report that their application was successful and that the check for $1,000 was presented to the School Board and helped pay a major portion of the cost of the grading, seeding and fencing of the Playground.

As a result of the Commission's various fund-raising projects through the spring and summer of 1976, we have $715.87 which we are committed to spend on a project in the Town. Restoration of the old Locust Street Cemetary and enclosure of the Common have been suggested.

We know that all the town's people are proud of South Hampton's designation as a Bicentennial Community. We are grateful for the support of the town in making our Bicentennial events such successes and to all those who gave of their time and labor so that all could have a good time. We hope that our securing of the State Grant for the playground and our planned projects in the town will provide lasting proof of South Hampton's interest in and dedication to our future and our heritage.

Respectfully submitted,

SADIE EMBREE
ANNE VERGE, Co-Chairmen
ELLEN CRESSY
JEWELL CURRIER
NANCY MORSS
RANDALL SPOONER
BERNARD STEBBINS

SOUTH HAMPTON TOWN REPORT

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This past year, the Commission has expended much time and effort on its project which was begun the latter part of 1972, namely, the attempt to form a Powwow River Watershed and Land-use Association.

The project has been completed and was incorporated the latter part of December 1976. The Commission feels that its efforts will prove to be worthwhile. Wver now there appears to be a rising concern for the future supply of water in the southeastern sector of New Hampshire. The wise use of land within and adjacent to the Powow River Watershed may perhaps be a partial solution to a growing concern.

The Watershed Association involves the towns of Hampstead, Sandown, Danville, Kingston, East Kingston, Newton, South Hampton N.H. and Amesbury, Mass.

This coming year, the Watershed Association intends to launch a membership drive and we urge concerned individuals and organizations to become members.

This past year, we have investigated many complaints regarding violations of the South Hampton Wetlands. A predominant feature of South Hampton is its wetlands and for the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of South Hampton every effort has been made by us to see that these wetlands are not exploited unwisely.

Commission members thank the townspeople for the confidence they have placed in us. We welcome your suggestions. Your Concerns are our concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

ALBERT EATON, Chairman
ANNE VERGE
MARY MERTINOOKE
JoANN HILL
ELLEN CRESSY
CAROLYN MERRILL
CHARLES SPEAR
Conservation Commission

PERKINS, HOLLAND, DONOVAN & BECKETT
Professional Association
151 WATER STREET
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03833

JOHN W. PERKINS (1902-1973)
EVERETT P. HOLLAND
ROBERT B. DONOVAN
WILLIAM H. M. BECKETT
ARTHUR C. RANDLETT

TELEPHONE
603-772-5956

December 17, 1976

Jewell E. Currier, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
RFD #1
Amesbury, Massachusetts 01913

Gentlemen:

You will recall that you previously asked for our opinion concerning the status of Peak Road, so-called, and we responded to your request by letter dated August 26, 1976 addressed to the South Hampton Planning Board. At that time, we were unaware of any Town vote ever taken to discontinue Peak Road in accordance with the provisions as now contained in RSA 238:1. You have now brought to our attention, the fact that the Warrant for the Annual Meeting held in March 1873, contained in Article 11th the following language:

> "To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from near the house of Abner J. Wiggin to Nortons Corner (so called)".

You have further brought to our attention that the minutes of the Town Clerk's records for such meeting establishes that the Town voted to discontinue the road above described.

It is, therefore, our opinion, that the above described road, since the time of the vote above indicated, ceased to have any servitude for public use whatsoever and became totally closed. There is no right of any member of the public, including those owning property which appears to be adjacent to said road, to use said road for purposes of public ingress and egress and/or building thereon and/or any other use of a public sense.

Very truly yours,

Robert B. Donovan

Robert B. Donovan

RBD:t

Annual Reports

of the

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

of the

Town of South Hampton, N.H.
For the Year 1975-1976

SOUTH HAMPTON TOWN REPORT

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board

Lawrence A. Baker	Term Expires 1976
Bernard E. Stebbins	Term Expires 1977
Thomas I. Harlow	Term Expires 1978

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Richard C. Hamilton, Ed. D.

TREASURER

Donald S. Hellen

MODERATOR

Horace T. Cressy

CLERK

Mrs. Audrey Brunet

AUDITORS

Phillip M. Imbrescia, Sr.
Robert W. Fraser

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Calvin Eaton

SCHOOL NURSE

Ada Merrill, R.N.

SOUTH HAMPTON TOWN REPORT

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

1977

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of South Hampton, in the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE TOWN HALL IN SAID DISTRICT ON TUESDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF MARCH, 1977, AT ONE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON TO VOTE FOR DISTRICT OFFICERS:

1. **To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.**

2. **To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.**

3. **To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.**

4. **To choose Auditors for the ensuing year.**

5. **To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.**

POLLS WILL NOT CLOSE BEFORE 8:00 P.M.

The foregoing procedure calling for election of your District Officers at the Annual Town Meeting is authorized by Statute [RSA 197:1-a] and was adopted by the District at its 1966 annual Meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS AT SAID SOUTH HAMPTON THIS 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1977.

BERNARD E. STEBBINS, Chairman
LAWRENCE A. BAKER
THOMAS I. HARLOW
School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

BERNARD E. STEBBINS, Chairman
LAWRENCE A. BAKER
THOMAS I. HARLOW
School Board

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT FOR 1977

The State of New Hampshire
1977

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of South Hampton, in the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE TOWN HALL IN SAID SOUTH HAMPTON ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1977, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING TO ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

Notice: School District Officers were elected at the Town Meeting held at the South Hampton Town Hall Beginning at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 8, 1977, in accordance with the statutory election procedures adopted by the District at its March, 1966 Annual Meeting.

1. To see what sum of money the District will vote to appropriate and raise for the support of schools, for the salaries of School District Officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

2. To see if the District will vote to establish a contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses during the year and, further, to see if the District will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars [$500.00] for this purpose.

3. To see what action the District will take relative to the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen.

4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS AT SAID SOUTH HAMPTON THIS 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1977.

BERNARD E. STEBBINS, Chairman
LAWRENCE A. BAKER
THOMAS I. HARLOW
School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

BERNARD E. STEBBINS, Chairman
LAWRENCE A. BAKER
THOMAS I. HARLOW
School Board

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SOUTH HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1975, and Ending June 30, 1976.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from the official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the Department of Revenue Administration.

RICHARD HAMILTON
Superintendent

BERNARD STEBBINS
THOMAS I. HARLOW
LAWRENCE A. BAKER
School Board

REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES	
Current Appropriation	167,577.70
TOTAL	167,577.70
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES	
Sweepstakes	3,178.04
TOTAL	3,178.04
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES	
School Lunch and Special Milk Program	444.67
Public Law 874	3,347.00
TOTAL	3,791.67
CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, July 1, 1975	
General Fund	2,333.46
TOTAL	2,333.46
GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS	177,420.87

EXPENDITURES

ADMINISTRATION:	
District Officers	360.00
Contracted Services	186.92
District Officers	571.99
INSTRUCTION:	
Principals	2,160.08
Teacher Consultants and Supervisors	1,776.55
Teachers	68,793.92
Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	1,980.00
Textbooks	934.47
School Libraries and Audiovisual Materials	729.08
Teaching Supplies	2,098.13
Contracted Services	1,215.46
Other Expenses	1,576.23
HEALTH SERVICES	
Salaries	1,558.00
Other Expenses	220.11
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	
Contracted Services	8,839.50
OPERATION OF PLANT	
Salaries	2,955.95
Supplies, Except Utilities	696.01
Contracted Services	222.50
Heat for Buildings	1,013.23
Utilities, Except Heat	1,134.95
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	
Replacement of Equipment	223.85
Repairs to Equipment	96.79
Contracted Services	485.25
Repairs to Buildings	561.45
FIXED CHARGES	
Teachers Retirement System	1,248.03
Federal Insurance Contribution Act [F.I.C.A.]	4,429.31
Insurance	3,885.23

SCHOOL LUNCH AND SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM	
Federal Monies	444.67
STUDENT-BODY ACTIVITIES	
Salaries	540.00
Expenditures and Transfers of Monies	867.50
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
Sites	2,528.75
Buildings	215.10
Equipment	537.13
TOTAL EXPENSES FORWARDED	115,086.16
OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS	
District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	5,789.98
Tuition	37,441.20
Tuition to Private Nonsectarian Schools	3,831.40
Transportation	1,334.40
ADULT EDUCATION	
Salaries	5,165.80
Total Net Expenditures for all purposes	163,483.14
CASH ON HAND AT END OF YEAR, June 30, 1976	
General Fund	13,937.73
GRAND TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES	177,420.87

Explanation of difference between net [actual] expenditures and gross transactions.

Total Net Receipts plus cash on hand July 1, 1975. [Agrees with "Grand Total Net Receipts"]	177,420.87
Receipts Recorded under Item 60. +	60.48
Receipts Reduced by Expenditures Recorded in the 1900 Series. +	
TOTAL GROSS RECEIPTS =	177,481.35

EXPENDITURES

Total Net Expenditures Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1976. [agrees with "Grand Total net Expenditures"	177,420.87
Expenditures Reduced by Receipts Recorded in item 60.	60.48
Expenditures Recorded in the 1900 Series.	+
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURES =	177,481.35

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1976

ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, 1976 General Fund	13,937.73
Accounts Due to District A. From Town or City	49,611.80
TOTAL ASSETS	63,549.53
GRAND TOTAL	63,549.53

LIABILITIES

Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes	
Capital Outlay, Sites	1,000.00
Manifest #1	428.95
Manifest #2	53,720.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES	55,149.35
Surplus [Excess of Assets over Liabilities]	8,400.18
GRAND TOTAL	63,549.53

SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET
SECTION I

	Purpose of Appropriation	Approved Budget 1976-77	Recommended 1977-78
100.	Administration		
110.	Salaries	520.00	630.00
135.	Contracted Services	40.00	86.00
190.	Other Expenses	890.00	390.00
200.	Instruction		
210.	Salaries	79,939.00	85,666.00
215.	Textbooks	1,240.00	1,100.00
220.	Library & Audiovisual Materials	961.00	1,116.00
230.	Teaching Supplies	3,290.00	34,675.00
235.	Contracted Services	1,279.00	3,340.00
290.	Other Expenses	2,462.00	1,531.00
300.	Attendance Services	10.00	0
400.	Health Services	2,093.00	2,210.00
500.	Pupil Transportation	10,700.00	14,075.00
600.	Operation of Plant		
610.	Salaries	3,000.00	2,600.00
630.	Supplies	750.00	800.00
635.	Contracted Services	350.00	435.00
640.	Heat	1,100.00	1,250.00
645.	Utilities	1,050.00	1,200.00
700.	Maintenance of Plant	1,785.00	2,110.00
800.	Fixed Charges		
850.	Employee Retirement & F.I.C.A.	6,943.00	7,132.00
855.	Insurance	4,539.00	4,449.00
900*	School Lunch & Spec. Milk Pro.	600.00	600.00
1000.	Student-Body Activities	1,820.00	1,820.00
1200.	Capital Outlay		
1265.	Sites	1,100.00	10.00
1266.	Buildings	150.00	150.00
1267.	Equipment	316.00	386.00
1300.	Debt Service		
1370.	Principal of Debt		
1477.	Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State		
1477.3	Supervisory Union Expenses	5,491.00	6,108.00
1478.	Outgoing Transfer Acc'ts. out of state		
1478.1	Tuition	84,798.00	84,350.00
1478.9	Other Expenses	3,000.00	5,305.00
	Contingency Fund	500.00	500.00
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	220,738.00	232,814.00

*Federal and District funds

SECTION II

Revenues and credits available to reduce school taxes	Approved revenues 1976-77	Budget Committee 1977-78
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE	5,000.00	9,000.00
Revenue from state sources: Sweepstakes	3,718.00	5,200.00
Revenue from Federal Sources: Sch. Lunch & Special Milk Program	600.00	500.00
PL 874 [Impacted area-cur. oper.]	2,400.00	
TOTAL SCHOOL REVENUES and CREDITS	11,718.00	14,700.00
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	208,020.00	218,114.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	220,738.00	232,814.00

JAMES P. MILLER
WILLIAM E. AMSLER JR.
ROBERT B. FRASER
ERNEST J. BONAH JR.
BERNARD J. STEBBINS
Budget Committee

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
for the
Fiscal year July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1975 [Treasurer's bank balance]		2,333.46
Current Appropriation	160,500.00	
Balance of Previous Approp.	7,077.70	
Revenue from State Sources	4,162.71	
Revenue from Federal Sources	3,347.00	
Received from all other Sources	60.48	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		175,147.89
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR [balance and receipts]		177,481.35
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID		163,543.62
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1976 [Treasurer's bank Balance]		13,937.73

DONALD S. HELLEN
District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of South Hampton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and find them correct in all respects.

ROBERT W. FRASER
PHILIP M. IMBRESCIA, SR.
Auditors

NEW HAMPSHIRE SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 21
Office of Superintendent
Hampton, New Hampshire

SALARY SHARES OF SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

The following figures show the State's Share of the Superintendent's Assistant Superintendent's, and Business Administrator's salaries and the proportionate share paid by each school district in Supervisory Union No. 21 for 1976-77:

	Superintendent	Assistant Superintendent	Business Administrator
State's Share	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,350.00	$ 2,350.00
Hampton	9,976.42	6,283.40	6,178.38
Hampton Falls	1,140.00	718.00	706.00
North Hampton	4,009.95	2,525.57	2,483.35
Seabrook	4,646.93	2,926.75	2,887.84
South Hampton	745.28	469.39	461.55
Winnacunnet	7,981.42	5,026.89	4,942.88
TOTALS	$31,000.00	$20,300.00	$20,000.00

To the School Board and Citizens of South Hampton:

I submit, herewith, my annual report for the South Hampton School District.

Two major curriculum thrusts this year have been a detailed analysis of the results in all districts of the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and the Cognitive Abilities Test to help develop priorities for the study and creation of curriculum and the construction of a complete Math Curriculum in Hampton which can be easily adapted to all districts.

With the detailed knowledge of the composition of the student body, more relevant courses can be created for a better development sequence of skills and knowledges.

Presently a study of the needs of students in the Language Arts area is in progress. By June 1977 curriculum construction in discipline should be in the final stages.

Federal legislation has been enacted that requires the identification of those students needing special assistance due to a handicap and also guarantees such children a "free appropriate public education."

In an effort to fully acquaint you with the ramifications of the new requirements, I am including as part of my annual report excerpts from a document entitled "U.S. Raising the Stakes -- Aid to Handicapped" issued during May of 1976 by the Strafford Learning Center located in Somersworth, New Hampshire:

"A new federal law on education for the handicapped raises serious questions for the states concerning the funding and administration of special education programs.

The law, known as the Education for all Handicapped Children Act of 1975 [Public Law 94-142], goes beyond a simple extension of federal aid for state programs for the handicapped. In return for that support, it requires the states to provide "free appropriate public education" for all handicapped children, regardless of whether federal funds are provided in the full amounts authorized by the law.

The extent of this commitment is substantial, because "free appropriate public education" is defined broadly by the act as comprising both "special education" and "related services." The latter term covers "transportation and such developmental, corrective and other supportive services [including speech pathology and audiology, psychological services, physical and occupational therapy, recreation, and medical and counseling services, except that such medical services shall be for diagnostic and evaluation purposes only] as may be required to assist a handicapped child to benefit from special education," including "the early identification and assessment of handicapping conditions in children." After fiscal year 1977, federal aid is authorized as a percentage of the total cost of providing education for handicapped children in the states, calculated on the basis of children actually served. The law authorizes federal support of 5 percent of such costs in 1978, 10 percent in 1979, 20 percent in 1980, 30 percent in 1981 and 40 percent in 1982. Based on Current projections, if appropriations are made at those levels, the federal government could be spending over $3 billion per year on education of the handicapped by 1982.

Starting in fiscal year 1978, the federal government will pay a percentage of the actual cost of serving children at the following rates:

FISCAL YEAR	PERCENTAGE
1978	5%
1979	10%
1980	20%
1981	40%

In order to be eligible for funds, each state must assure that "a free appropriate public education" will be available by Sept. 1, 1978, for all handicapped children 3 to 18 years old and by Sept. 1, 1980, for all handicapped children 3 to 21 years old -- except where provision of services to children aged 3 to 5 and 18 to 21 would conflict with state law or court order.

The new law retains previous safeguards and strengthens grievance and complaint procedures. among the provisions:

1. Parents or guardians will have an opportunity to examine all records concerning the identification, evaluation and placement of their children and to obtain an education evaluation of the child.

2. Parents or guardians must receive prior written notice when the agency is to initiate or refuse to change a child's placement. The notice must be in the parents' or guardians' native language and must provide an opportunity to complain about the matter.

3. Parents will have an opportunity for a hearing before the state or local education agency, but in no case shall an employee of the agency involved in the child's education conduct the hearing. Adequate appeal procedures are required."

I am apprehensive about the funding of the law. As happens many times, it may be that the local taxpayer will end up shouldering the major part of the expense of the new legislation. I will keep you informed as to developments in this area. If you desire additional information, please contact the Supervisory Union office.

The question of the assignment and tuition rates for your high school students continues to be a problem. Your Board has met with Amesbury officials, as well as officials in New Hampshire towns, in an attempt to provide security for the future, as well as reasonable costs in educating a large part of your school age population.

Included in this report is a "Summary of Findings and Recommendations" section of an audit of supervisory union central office financial transactions completed by the Municipal Services Division of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration. The report is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1974 and was received by me on December 28, 1976. Of necessity the report involved several previous years of financial record keeping. As of this writing, the recommendations have been or shortly will be implemented. The full report is available in the Supervisory Union office for your perusal.

The staff at your school has worked hard to conserve energy whenever and wherever possible. A member of the S. U. #21 staff has been given the assignment of assessing the problem in each district and making recommendations to assist us in coping with ever increasing costs of electricity and fuel oil.

As in past years, I am including at the end of this report, the school memberships for all the districts in Supervisory Union #21 as of December, 1976.

I appreciate the efforts of your School Board at not only the local, but also the Supervisory Union level. Although short on voting power, they contribute a great deal to the entire system.

In my opinion, the Barnard School is a well organized, competently staffed, and successful elementary school. Although lack of members may mean less efficiency dollar-wise, I submit that the benefits of a small school more than compensate for this.

I wish to thank the South Hampton School Board members, the Barnard School staff and the citizens of South Hampton for their help and cooperation this past year.

Respectfully,

RICHARD C. HAMILTON, ED.D.
Superintendent of Schools

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Supervisory Union Board
Supervisory Union No. 21
Hampton, New Hampshire 03842

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Supervisory Union No. 21 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1974, which was made by this Division in accordance with your request.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

GENERAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Unauthorized Assumption of District Treasurer's Duties:

The functions of the School District Treasurers regarding the disbursement of funds for the payment of district obligations were unlawfully delegated to Supervisory Union personnel. This was accomplished by transferring to the Supervisory Union "accounts payable" and "payroll" checking accounts funds of each School District which were required to pay for disbursements authorized by each respective School Board. This arrangement caused the commingling of funds belonging to the various districts with those of other Districts and the Supervisory Union.

In this connection, it must be stated that RSA 197:23-A stipulates that the district treasurer "shall have custody of all monies belonging to the School District, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the School Board". These duties may not legally be delegated to anyone else within or without each respective School District.

The administration of District funds in the foregoing manner generated a great amount of confusion in the various

District and Supervisory Union accounts due to incorrect applications of funds and credits.

As a result of the many interfund transfers and incorrect entries therefor, inadequate accountability was provided by the records maintained by the business office for each District and the Supervisory Union.

Funds Deposited in Out of State Banks Without Required Collateral:

Funds belonging to the Districts and Supervisory Union were placed on deposit in an out of state bank, namely the Augusta [Maine] Trust Company, without requiring that institution to comply with the statutory provisions of R.S.A. 197:23-A regarding collateral security to be placed with the State Treasurer.

Retention of Records:

The auditors were not provided and could not obtain cancelled checks written on the Augusta Trust Company. R.S.A. 33-A:4 provides that checks and bills will be retained for 6 years.

It was also noted that the disbursements made from the above checking accounts were made on the bank's own checks rather than those of the respective Districts and Supervisory Union. There is no statutory authority allowing this method of handling public funds.

Inadequate and Incomplete Accounting Procedures:

The accounts and records maintained for each District and Supervisory Union were incomplete in that proprietary accounts were not maintained and the revenue and expenditure records prepared by hand and by mechanical process had not been summarized in one place for the fiscal years audited. As a result of this situation, it was necessary for the auditors to reconstruct all the accounts for the years examined.

The newly acquired accounting machine was not being utilized to its maximum potential. Accounting controls over

expenditures were not adequately maintained. There was no machine accounting for receipts. Also, there were no accounting controls maintained over payroll deductions accounts.

Receipts and expenditures were not reconciled on a monthly basis with the various Treasurer's account. This particular function is essential to the effective management of the fiscal affairs of the Supervisory Union and the constituent Districts.

Payments to various professional associations were made in many instances in advance of actual payroll deductions. In certain cases, such prepayments were not fully recovered due to early removal from service of the personnel affected.

The original report of audit prepared earlier by the independent auditor previously retained for the annual examination of the Supervisory Union and District accounts did not reflect the proper financial condition of these governmental units.

During the course of this audit the above problems were discussed with the Superintendent of Schools, the Supervisory Union Board and the Business Administrator. The Supervisory Union Board was advised to take proper steps to eliminate all non conforming procedures and to implement a system of accounting fully consistent with generally accepted school accounting principles.

Recommendations:

The following recommendations are made to correct the deficiencies noted hereinabove:

That the Supervisory Union comply with R.S.A. 197:23-A and cease to act in the aforementioned fiduciary capacity. Accordingly, the school district treasurers and school boards should stop making unauthorized transfers of funds to the Supervisory Union:

That the Supervisory Union and School Districts comply with the provisions of R.S.A. 197:23-A when depositing funds in bank accounts in out of state banks:

That the provisions of R.S.A. 33-A;4 concerning retention of records be complied with;

That adequate controls be established in accounting for both receipts and expenditures;

That proprietary accounts be established in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices;

That payroll deduction control cards be maintained for each constituent school district member and that such records be reconciled monthly with employee earnings records;

That the practice of paying membership dues in advance of payroll deductions be discontinued, as there is no statutory authority empowering the Supervisory Union or the School Districts to disburse funds in this manner;

That the Supervisory Union make reimbursements, by Supervisory Union checks, to the Hampton and Seabrook School Districts for excess transfers made by these districts. The sums owed are indicated in the liabilities section of the balance sheet of June 30, 1974 as determined by this audit;

In view of the aforementioned violations of law and inconsistent accounting procedures, this Division is unable to certify as to the accuracy of the financial condition of the Supervisory Union as of June 30, 1974.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 71-A, Section 21, require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendations [letter of transmittal] shall be published in the next annual report of the Supervisory Union. Publication of the exhibits contained in this report is optional at the discretion of the Supervisory Union Board. This letter, however, must be published in its entirety.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Supervisory Union for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

FREDERICK E. LAPLANTE
Director

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL MEMBERSHIPS

As of December 22, 1976

ELEMENTARY GRADES:	Sp. Cl.	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	sub total	TOTAL
CENTRE		128	78	62	70	75					413	
MARSTON			75	89	83	89					336	
JUNIOR HIGH	12						139	118	138	150	557	1306
HAMPTON FALLS			18	22	15	14	23	24	26	31		173
NORTH HAMPTON			67	65	59	62	69	63	69	101		555
SEABROOK		69	73	99	105	95	73	77	84	92		767
SOUTH HAMPTON			14	9	7	9	9	13	12	11		84
TOTALS	12	197	325	346	339	344	313	295	329	385		2885

WINNACUNNET HIGH SCHOOL

GRADES:	9	10	11	12	P.G.	TOTAL
	373	346	326	285		1330

Elementary and Junior High School 2885
Winnacunnet High School 1330
GRAND TOTAL 4215

March 16, 1976

The Annual Meeting of the South Hampton School District was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by Moderator Horace Cressy. Because of a snow storm, only one townsperson was present. School Board Chairman Thomas Harlow made the motion "to reconvene the Annual School District Meeting to Wednesday, March 24th at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Hall". Seconded by Bernard Stebbins. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by order of the moderator.

Respectfully submitted,
AUDREY G. BRUNET,
School Clerk

March 24, 1976

The reconvened Annual Meeting of the South Hampton School District was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Moderator Horace Cressy with 40 people in attendance.

The warrant now attached to page 212 was read. Thomas Harlow made the motion "to let the school administrators speak if called upon". Bernard Stebbins Seconded-so voted.

ARTICLE I Mr. Harlow moved "that the amount of 220,716.00 be raised and appropriated under this article", seconded by Mr. Stebbins. John Stewart made an admendment to the motion "the entire school budget be cut by 5% or 11,067.00 and the new total operating budget to be 210,283.00. That the school board and school administrators will make the decision of where the monies are to be spent and what articles are to be cut. And that they will not exceed the amount of monies appropriated by this meeting" seconded by Michael Santosuosso. Mr. Harlow stated this was not a fair motion and the person making the motion should go line by line and cut it and not leave it up to the board. They feel this budget is what is needed to run the operation. Supt. Hamilton stated the staff cannot be reduced as a teacher has to be notified by March 15th if they are not going to be reappointed. After much discussion, a secret ballot was held; 19 yes 22 no. Motion lost, article one voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE II Mr. Stebbins moved that this article be accepted as written, seconded by Peter Coffin. Voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE III Mr. Baker moved that this article be accepted as read. Mr. Harlow seconded. Robert Nelson asked for a report on the School Needs Study Committee. Mr. Stebbins stated that no progress was made, and then read the minutes of the only meeting held. John Santosuosso inquired about the fence and when use of the new playground would be in effect. The board stated there will be no hot top, but it will be seeded. Sadie Embree stated the Bicentennial Commission has applied for matching funds for the project. After a lengthy discussion of the townspeople of what should be printed in the town report, Jewell Currier moved, "that the 1976 town report we list the salaries of the complete Staff". John Santosuosso seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Carole McCarthy made the motion, "starting in the 1976 town report, have the breakdown of the school budget". Thomas Harlow seconded.

Michael Santosuosso made the motion, "to have the school district meeting be held within a week after the town meeting and no later than March 15th". Seconded by John Stewart, voted in the affirmative.

With no other business to transact, Philip Imbrescia, Sr. moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Mr. Harlow Seconded, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

AUDREY G. BRUNET
School Clerk

TEACHING STAFF -- 1976-77

NAME	DEGREE	SUBJECT AREA
John Battis		Instrumental Music
Janet Juntunen,	BS, Western Michigan Univ.	Speech Therapist Con.
Barbara J. Knapp,	BS, Fitchburg State Co.,	Language Arts, 5-8
Sandra S. Landis,	BA, Salem State Col.,	Grades 3-4
Richard G. Maloof,	BA, St. Anselm's Co.,	Science, Math, Reading
Terry A. Marinos,	BS, Boston Univ.,	Principal, Soc. Studies
Janet A. Snow,	BS, Simmons Co., M.Ed., UNH.,	Remedial Reading
Elizabeth A. Weber,	BA, Albertus Magnus Col.,	Grades 1-2
Lucyann M. Wing,	BA, Notre Dame Col.,	Art 1-8
Marilyn J. Woodcock,	BA, St. Mary's Col.,	Vocal Music

Other Staff -- 1976-77

Ada M. Merrill, R.N.T.	Nurse
Audrey G. Brunet	Secretary
Paul Moughan	Custodian

Substitutes Used 1975-76 School Year

Helen Marinos Beverly A. Peeke Leann D. Bertram

Staff Salaries for 1976 - 77

Terry Marinos	15,082. +	2,660
Dick Maloof		12,305.
Barbara Knapp		9,684.
Sandra Landis		13,054.
Betsy Weber		13,108.
Jan Snow		8,860.
Jean Woodcock		920.
Lucyann Wing		990.
Ada Merrill		1,683.
Audrey Brunet		2,168.
GRAND TOTAL		80,514.

Paul Moughan, Custodian -- $3.00 / hr.

STATISTICAL DATA

No. of Different Pupils Enrolled During Year	94
Average Daily Membership	86.4
Percent of attendance	95.0
Number of Pupils in High School [Sept. 1976]	54

ENROLLMENT IN SEPTEMBER 1976

Grades 1-2	22	Grades 5-6	23
Grades 3-4	17	Grades 7-8	23

Pupils who completed the work of the eighth grade in June 1976:

William Brunet
Edward Jordan
Jeremy Riecks
David Santosuosso
Richard Stevens
Glenn Wise
Tammy Caccavale
Ruthann Early
Cindy Lamoureux
Robin Sands
Paula Stefanski
Lauren Syvertson

Amesbury High School

Grade 9

Michael Bragg
Joseph Brunet
Tammy Caccavale
Ruth Ann Early
Edward Jordan
Cindy Lamoureaux
Jeremy Riecks
Robin Sands
David Santosuosso
Paula Stefanski
Richard Stevens
Laurie Syvertson
Glen Wise

Grade 10

Heidi Brown
Ronald Early
Laurie Harlow
Mark Huber
Wayne Levesque
Julie Morse
Denise Muise
Michael Santosuosso
Heidi Stebbins
Christine Syvinski

Grade 11

Laurie Berry

Marian Carey
Calvin Eaton
Robert Estabrook
Chris Gannett
Peter Gosselin
Janelle Huber
Debbie Lawler
Margaret Miller
Lynn Morin

Grade 12

Barbara Brunet
Karen Caccavale
Michael Ducharme
Denise Early
Joseph Emiro
Robyn Glynn
Frederick Gosselin
Mark Jordan
Michael McCarthy
Robert Moore
Melissa Morse
Joan Oliver
Anne Ouellet
Karen Richard
Jonathan Ross
Linda Stebbins
John Stefanski
Karen Syvertson
Donna Syvinski
Michael Syvinski
Paul Levesque

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

DATE	PLACE	NAME AND SURNAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE		NAMES OF GROOM'S PARENTS	NAME OF BRIDE'S PARENTS	NAME, RESIDENCE AND OFFICIAL STATION OF PERSONS BY WHOM MARRIED
June 24	So. Hampton	Philip H. Churchill	36	Richard Churchill	Jack Smith	Everett R. Scruton
		Ellen J. Lovely	35	Eunice Gile	Ellen M. Novack	Religious
July 30	Laconia	William N. Spencer	27	James H. Spencer	Leo S. Stacy	Robert J. Kemmery
		Evelyn M. Stacy	22	Mildred Hawes	Helene Bosse	Religious
Aug. 21	Newton	Gregoire Gosselin	21	Noel Gosselin	Richard Morse	John Finnigan
		Caren L. Morse	18	Annette St. Hilaire	Frances Bowser	Religious
Aug. 21	So. Hampton	Marland L. Vizard	47	Robert Vizard	Arthur Bibby	Ellen M. Cressy
		Lillian M. Tavanese	29	Mildred Mosher	Jewell Carey	Civil
Nov. 22	So. Hampton	William P. Murphy	38	John J. Murphy	Russell R. Rogers	Ellen M. Cressy
		Lucie C. Lieber	42	Helen Pender	Doris Oakes	Civil

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976.

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	AGE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
2-14-76	So. Hampton	Hannah L. Merrow	90	Jonathan C. Wadleigh Sr	Abbie A. Smith
3-19-76	Amesbury, Ma.	Edward Harris	86	George Harris	unknown
4-23-76	Exeter, N.H.	Leroy F.H. Lane	79	Elmer E. Lane	Louise Lincoln
4-27-76	Amesbury, Ma.	Irene S. Murphy	72	Everest Sirois	Alexina Labrie
5-25-76	So. Hampton	Mildred E. Greenwood	77	Henry M. Barber	Abbie S. Kennedy
9-11-76	Newburyport, Ma.	Laura Lamoureux	18	Joseph L. Lamoureux	Helen E. Wedgewood

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON N.H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD [If any]	SEX	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
1-30-76	Exeter, N.H.	Christopher A. Macaulay	M	Alexander F. Macaulay	Karen M. Cogan
4-5-76	Exeter, N.H.	Karen C. Hesselback	F	Donald G. Hesselback	Patricia L. Grant
5-28-76	Exeter, N.H.	Nathanael G. Buxton	M	George M Buxton	Constance L. Eicher